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Seven Businesses Honored for Supporting Employment Opportunities for People with Disabilities

Bismarck, N.D. – The N.D. Department of Human Services' Division of Vocational Rehabilitation has recognized seven North Dakota businesses for their continued work to support and inspire individuals with disabilities in the workplace and for their ongoing working partnership with the division.

The *2012 Employer of the Year* award-winners include KNDX Fox 26, **Bismarck**; Hugo's Family Marketplace, **Grand Forks**; Triumph, Inc., **Jamestown**; Medora Convenience Store, **Medora**; Walmart, **Minot**; North Dakota State College of Science (NDSCS) Campus Connection, **Wahpeton**; and Lindsey Implement, Inc., **Williston**.

"These organizations are business champions," said Russ Cusack, director of the Division of Vocational Rehabilitation. "Their support and progressive attitudes are the reason why North Dakota is the leader in employment of individuals with disabilities."

Award recipients were selected based on a nomination process that included a review of each organization's innovative approach to offering employment opportunities to people with disabilities; as well as an organization's commitment to community service and other charitable contributions.

The Division of Vocational Rehabilitation works to assist individuals with disabilities to maximize their employment opportunities and helps North Dakota business owners and employers find solutions to disability-related issues.

For information on services available to help employers and employees address disability-related issues, contact the N.D. Department of Human Services' Division of Vocational Rehabilitation at 701-328-8950, toll free 800-755-2745, TTY 701-328-8968, ND Relay TTY 800-366-6888 or go online to www.nd.gov/dhs/dvr/index.html.

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